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To: Mechanical Inspectors and Mechanical Contractors

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Subject: HVAC Clarification

In the winter 2005 Bulletin I wrote an article regarding recent changes to the HVAC license examination and the associated impact upon the HVAC license classification. This letter is to provide clarification regarding the timing of those changes. The changes went into effect on March 3, 2004, which is the date that the new HVAC examination was first given. As previously indicated in the article in the Bulletin, the examination has been changed from a 50 question examination to a 160 question examination. The examination was revised to allow for incorporation of all portions of the HVAC system including the ductwork, gas piping and venting of the equipment.

In conjunction with the HVAC license examination changes, the department has determined that individuals who have a HVAC endorsement on their license, could install after March 3, 2004 the associated ductwork, gas piping, and venting equipment as part of the HVAC system installation.

For the future, the ductwork examination will be upgraded to include additional questions on industrial and commercial duct applications. The new ductwork license examination is intended for individuals who wish to install industrial and commercial duct systems. Notification of the effective date of the changes to ductwork license examination will be provided when available.

If you have any questions you may contact me at (517)-241-9325.